

Dear Parent or Guardian:

### ***Congratulations!***

You have taken the first step toward protecting your child....

Obtaining a copy of your child's fingerprints is a tool to protect your child if the unthinkable happens. This document will serve as a reference to help the police locate your child faster.

Fingerprint all your children, no matter what their age. Infants and toddlers should be re-fingerprinted until the age of three. Children older than three should only be re-fingerprinted if the prints fade, are damaged, or if your child has an accident that scars their fingers.

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**The first step  
toward protecting your child.**

**Helping  
to protect  
your children.**

*Compliments of Assemblymember*

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# How Do I Fill Out This Card?

(Refer to Illustration Below)

## 1. Complete the front by filling in the following:

- ☐ Date of birth
- ☐ The date of fingerprints
- ☐ The child's or parent/guardian's signature
- ☐ Last name
- ☐ Sex
- ☐ Race
- ☐ Height
- ☐ Weight
- ☐ Hair color
- ☐ Eye color
- ☐ Nickname
- ☐ Password

(This is a word only known by the parent/guardian and child.  
Your child can use this word to confirm whether an  
unfamiliar person is allowed to take them home.)

## 2. Complete the back by filling in the following:

**Distinguishing physical features:** for example, birthmarks, moles, scars, previously broken bones and prosthetics.

*Under the heading "Front," list the distinguishing physical features on the front of your child's body. Do the same for the heading "Back".*

*Write the corresponding number next to that physical feature and mark it on the blank body.*

**Body Measurements:** height and weight and the date of the measurement. As your child grows, you should re-measure your child and record those changes on the remaining lines.

### **Eye Color, Hair Color, and Blood Type:**

Your child's blood type can be obtained from your doctor.

### **Your child's doctor(s).**

### **Lastly, tape your child's photo in the designated box.**

If your child is younger than three years of age, update the photo every three to six months. Photos of children older than three should be updated yearly.

# Safety Tips To Protect Your Child:

1. Do NOT let your child go to a public restroom alone.
2. Do NOT leave your child alone in a car.
3. Do NOT leave your child in the toy section of a store or wandering in a mall.
4. Do NOT put your child's name, first or last, on hats, caps, jackets, bikes, wagons, etc., since children respond to their names.
5. Know where your child is at all times.
6. Know your child's friends.
7. Check with your school principal to find out if you will be notified if your child does not report to school.
8. Be involved in your child's activities.
9. Practice with your child ways he/she may walk to and from a friend's home and school.
10. Listen when your child tells you that he/she doesn't want to be with someone. Find out the reason.
11. Notice if someone pays undo attention to your child.
12. Never belittle any fear or concern your child has — imaginary or real.
13. Teach your child to whistle a tune. If you and your child get separated, use the whistle to find each other.